



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HOGWOOD et al.

Appl. No. 10/705,392

Filed: November 12, 2003

For: **System and Method For
Interactive Wagering From a
Remote Location**

Art Unit: 3713

Examiner: To be assigned

Atty. Docket: 02996.0003.CNUS02

Confirm. No.: 4345

**Statement in Support of Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) to File
Declaration Not Executed by One or More Inventors**

1. I, Arthur John Dixon, am the Vice President of Infotext Systems Inc.
2. James Davis ("Mr. Davis") and Steven Luigi Boffo ("Mr. Boffo"), during the relevant time period, were Partners in 2DB Associates, Woodleigh, Felden Lane, Felden Herts UK HP3 0BF4 ("2DB"). Infotext Systems Inc. have used the services of 2DB for over 10 years to produce various software projects for the company.
3. On February 22, 2000, Infotext Systems Inc. entered into a contract with 2DB, under which 2DB was to develop technology for the invention of the above-referenced application. In furtherance of that contractual relationship, Mr. Davis and Mr. Boffo, as well as William Edward Hogwood, Peter John Carr and myself (Arthur John Dixon), each contributed to conception of the invention claimed in the above-referenced application.
5. On August 1, 2003, I transmitted to Mr. Davis by e-mail the application papers for the above-referenced application, including the specification, claims, drawings and the Declaration of Inventorship ("Declaration").
6. On August 1, 2003, and during the following week, Mr. Boffo met with Mr. Davis and they reviewed the application papers for the above-referenced application, including the specification, claims, drawings and the Declaration.
7. On August 12, 2003, Mr. Davis refused to sign the Declaration. Specifically, he explained that he felt that it was a very broad patent application and that he was concerned that it may in the future impact on his and Mr. Boffo's ability to produce software for others. After consulting with his Attorney, Mr. Davis informed me that he was refusing to sign the Declaration. I had several follow-up conversations with Mr. Davis during the month of August

2003 on this topic. As recently as August 10, 2004, Mr. Davis continued to refuse to sign the Declaration.

8. On August 12, 2003, Mr. Boffo, on the advice of Mr. Davis and their Attorney refused to sign the Declaration. I have had several conversations with Mr. Boffo, as recently as September 3, 2004, and Mr. Boffo continued to refuse to sign the Declaration.

9. The last known business addresses of Mr. Davis and Mr. Boffo are as follows:

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Felden Lane
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Herts, UK, HP3 0BF

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10. I acknowledge that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true. I understand and accept that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 U.S.C. 1001) and may jeopardize the validity of the above-captioned application or any patent issuing thereon.

Arthur John Dixon

ASD
Signature

9/10/04
Date



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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(A) TO FILE DECLARATION
NOT EXECUTED BY ONE OR MORE INVENTORS**

Mail Stop Petition

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for acceptance of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney ("Declaration") for the above-captioned invention. Two (2) of five (5) joint inventors have refused to sign the Declaration. In support of this Petition, Applicant's have enclosed the Declaration signed by the remaining joint inventors. In accordance with M.P.E.P. 409.03 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a), Applicants have further enclosed a Statement in support of this Petition. The Statement is signed by Arthur John Dixon and pertains to non-signing inventors James Davis and Steven Luigi Boffo. The Statement evidences that Messrs. Davis and Boffo are joint inventors of the present application, but that they presently refuse to sign the enclosed Declaration. The last known address of each non-signing joint inventor is further provided.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h)) is believed to be \$130.00. Additionally, the petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5)) is believed to be \$2010.00 for a five-month extension, for a large entity, to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts from April 11, 2004 to September 11, 2004. Furthermore, a \$770.00 filing fee and a \$130.00 late filing fee and oath or declaration surcharge are believed to be owed.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge the total fees due in the amount of \$3,040.00 to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038, referencing docket number 02996.0003.CNUS02. This payment includes (\$130.00 petition fee; \$2010.00 five month extension fee; \$770.00 basic filing fee and \$130.00 declaration surcharge).

If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing the above docket number. *A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.*

Respectfully submitted,



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Date: September 13, 2004

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